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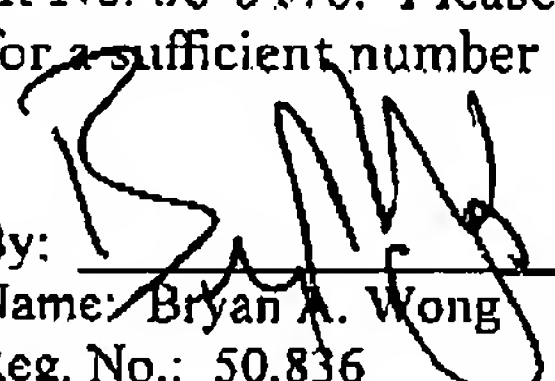
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RESPONSE TO DECISION ON REQUEST UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.497(d)

Dear Commissioner:

In response to the Decision dated September 29, 2006, regarding Applicants' Renewed Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.497(d), and with the response time extended with a four month extension of time from November 29, 2006 to March 29, 2007, consideration and entry of this communication are respectfully requested.

Briefly, the Decision denied Applicants' petition to add Zhouhan Huang as an inventor in the above-referenced patent application. The Decision was based on the insufficiency of the Written Consent of the Assignee submitted in the Renewed Petition dated June 7, 2006, and namely that the Written Consent was not clear as to whether the person signing the Written Consent is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

Applicants acknowledge this defect in the Renewed Petition. Applicants also acknowledge that Zhouhan Huang has therefore not been added as an inventor because the requirements to add Zhouhan Huang were not fully met. Applicants, however, wish to allow this petition to expire on March 29, 2007, in favor of filing a continuation

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application claiming the benefit of priority of this instant case for the following reasons. The Assignee of record has determined and concluded that Zhouhan Huang is not an inventor of the claimed subject matter in this case, and therefore the pending petition is considered moot. Further, Applicants have been unable to obtain the signatures of the inventors to be properly named for the claimed subject matter, or obtain the proper Written Consent form of the Assignee in time to meet the deadline in this case. As a result, this communication is to allow the pending petition to expire on March 29, 2007, in favor of the continuation application that is filed on even date herewith, and while taking the maximum extension of time available.

Applicants further provide herewith an appropriate Petition for Extension of Time for four months, from November 29, 2006 to March 29, 2007. Authorization is given to debit the appropriate fee of \$795.00 for a small entity from Deposit Account No. 50-3478.

If any questions concerning this communication arise, please contact Applicants' representative listed below.

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